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## MOTION BY SUPERVISOR MICHAEL D. ANTONOVICH

July 1, 2003

## WELFARE FRAUD

Over 10 years ago, the Board approved my motion to develop the Welfare Fraud Hotline. Since its inception, the Welfare Fraud Hotline has been very successful detecting welfare fraud, saving the department and taxpayers millions of dollars. However, more must be done to prevent welfare fraud. Just recently, 15 individuals were arrested for welfare fraud. Due to the fraudulent welfare claims, investigators estimated the fraud cost the taxpayers more than \$800,000.

I, THEREFORE MOVE, THAT the Board instruct the Director of Public Social Services to report back in 30 days on how the individuals were able to file fraudulent welfare claims without being detected, including recommendations to strengthen monitoring controls and a plan to recover the stolen \$800,000.

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